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Summary of Qualifications

- 33 years of civil engineering, construction management, and leadership experience
- Extensive knowledge in public sector project delivery and construction best practices
- Unique skills involving team building, collaborative Partnering, and dispute resolution

Consulting Experience

Mark Leja Consulting - Owner

7/2015 to Present

- Serve on Dispute Resolution Boards and advisory committees
- Speaker, expert panel member, and moderator at industry conferences
- Provide executive and project level Partnering facilitation and dispute resolution

HKA (formerly Hill International Consulting) - Executive Consultant 5/2016 to Present

- Assist public agencies with improving their project delivery and construction programs
- Review and revise engineering and construction management processes and procedures
- Provide guidance on effective team formation and sponsorship techniques
- Business planning and implementation of internal operational changes

Caltrans Executive, Engineering Manager, and Civil Engineer

Chief, Division of Construction – Caltrans Headquarters

7/2007 to 12/2014

- Envisioned and implemented strategic direction for the statewide Construction Program
- Set Program goals, objectives, and measured performance
- Established and maintained statewide construction contract administration policies
- Ensured completion of over 4,300 projects, valued at more than \$23 billion dollars
- Served as primary Caltrans liaison with the California construction industry
- Reinvigorated Partnering on construction projects in collaboration with industry
- Administered the statewide construction claim and dispute resolution process
- Represented Caltrans on the AASHTO Subcommittee on Construction
- Contributed to comprehensive updates to the Caltrans Standard Specifications
- Created a streamlined insurance pre-approval and monitoring process

Chief, Division of Design – Caltrans Headquarters

10/2003 to 7/2007

- Envisioned and implemented strategic direction for the statewide Design Program
- Set Program goals, objectives, and measured performance
- Established and maintained statewide design policies, standards, and practices
- Issued numerous new and updated Design Information Bulletins
- Led efforts to evaluate innovative procurement methods such as Design Build
- Published a new edition of the Caltrans Highway Design Manual
- Represented Caltrans on the AASHTO Subcommittee on Design

District 10 Director – Caltrans**9/1997 to 10/2003**

- Provided leadership and direction to plan, operate, maintain and improve the transportation system within eight counties located in central California
- Managed a complex and diverse organization of more than 500 employees with an annual payroll and operating budget of nearly \$80 million
- Delivered a capital improvement program of 120 major projects valued near \$1 billion

Traffic Operations Manager District 3 – Caltrans**7/1996 to 9/1997**

- Managed state highway operations in the eleven counties of District 3
- Provided leadership to a staff of over 100 located throughout northern California

Chief, Office of Roadway Maintenance – Caltrans Headquarters**1/1994 to 7/1996**

- Program advisor and decision maker for the statewide Roadway Rehabilitation Program
- Established statewide policy and allocated resources for the Major Maintenance Program
- Responded to the 1994 Northridge earthquake and secured Federal funding for repairs

Project Manager and Civil Engineer District 11 – Caltrans**3/1984 to 1/1994**

- Project Manager for 32 projects with responsibility for the delivery of high quality transportation improvements on time and within budget
- Design Project Engineer and Construction Field Engineer on numerous projects

Boards and Committees

- American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)
 - Subcommittee on Construction, chair Environmental/Human Resources 2010–2014
 - Subcommittee on Design, member Design Build Task Force, 2004–2006
- International Partnering Institute (IPI)
 - IPI Board of Advisors, founding member, 2008–2015
 - IPI Horizontal construction committee, co-chair, 2010–2015
- Caltrans Construction Partnering Steering Committee, chair, 2007–2014
- California High Speed Rail Peer Review Group, member, 2015
- Alternative Dispute Resolution Boards, 2016 to present
 - Currently serving on boards for six active construction projects (see attached listing)

Education /License

- California Professional Civil Engineer, # 42460, current through 3/31/2018
- Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering from San Diego State University, 1983

Leadership/Management Training

- Caltrans Leadership Training Program for Executives
- Project Management for Executives
- Sponsoring High Performance Teams
- Dispute Resolution Board Foundation certification

Awards

- 2015 Golden Beaver Award for Engineering

Alternative Dispute Resolution projects

Project Description	Owner	Contractor	Contract value	Date	Role	Additional information
I-405 widening	Orange County Transportation Authority	OC 405 Partners JV	\$1.2 billion	2017 to present	DRB member	Design Build No Claims
US 101 Willow Drive Interchange	Caltrans D-4	Disney/OC Jones JV	\$45 million	2017 to present	DRB member	No Claims
Hauser Road Bridge Replacement	Sonoma County	Granite Construction	\$4.4 million	2017 to present	DRA	No Claims
SR 65 Terra Bella widening	Caltrans D-6	Teichert Construction	\$14.5 million	2017 to present	DRB Chair	No Claims
US 101 San Miguel Rehabilitation	Caltrans D-5	Security Paving	\$54 million	2017 to present	DRB member	No Claims
I-80 Truck Climbing lane	Caltrans D-3	Teichert Construction	\$32 million	2016 to present	DRB member	No Claims